

## SENATE BILL No. 467

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-18-15.

**Synopsis:** Personalized license plates. Specifies procedure for imposing restrictions on the issuance of a personalized license plate. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to issue personalized license plates for 2006 and 2007 in certain circumstances. Repeals and relocates a provision concerning renewal of personalized license plates.

**Effective:** July 1, 2005.

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January 18, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-18-15-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6. (a) If a person who  
3 has been issued a personalized license plate ~~renews the registration; the~~  
4 ~~person's combination of numerals and letters is not available to another~~  
5 ~~person until the following registration period:~~  
6 (b) If a person does not ~~renew~~ **file a new application** for a  
7 personalized license plate by October 31 of the year ~~before the year a~~  
8 ~~new personalized license plate is to be issued; a plate cycle set forth~~  
9 **in IC 9-18-2-47 ends**, the combination of letters ~~and or numerals;~~  
10 **numbers, or both**, that was issued becomes available upon the  
11 application of a person qualifying under this chapter.  
12 (b) A renewal of the registration of a vehicle for which a  
13 personalized license plate is requested **must be completed by**  
14 **October 31 of the year before issuance of the personalized license**  
15 **plate or other indicia of registration as set forth in IC 9-18-2-8.**  
16 (c) When a personalized license plate has been issued during a  
17 plate cycle, the same personalized license plate:



1           **(1) may not be issued to a person if the person does not renew**  
 2           **the registration of the personalized license plate; and**  
 3           **(2) is not available to another person;**  
 4           **subject to subsection (a), until the following plate cycle.**

5           SECTION 2. IC 9-18-15-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 6           FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 7. If a person who has:

7           (1) registered a vehicle; and  
 8           (2) been issued a personalized license plate for the vehicle;  
 9           releases ownership of the registered vehicle without transferring the  
 10          registration to another vehicle, the combination of ~~numerals~~ **numbers**  
 11          ~~and or~~ letters, **or both**, does not become available until the following  
 12          registration year: **plate cycle as set forth in IC 9-18-2-47.**

13          SECTION 3. IC 9-18-15-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 14          FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 10. (a) In addition to  
 15          the applicable excise tax imposed under IC 6-6-5, the regular  
 16          registration fees, and any additional fee required to receive a special  
 17          recognition license plate described in section 1(b) of this chapter, a  
 18          person applying for or renewing the registration of a personalized  
 19          license plate shall pay a personalized license plate fee and contribution  
 20          upon an original application or registration renewal, as provided in  
 21          ~~section 5 of~~ this chapter.

22          (b) Each license branch shall collect the personalized license plate  
 23          fee and contribution at the time of application or registration renewal  
 24          for the personalized license plate.

25          (c) Upon the payment of the required fee, contribution, and service  
 26          charges for an original application or renewal of a personalized license  
 27          plate, the bureau shall issue a receipt designating and acknowledging  
 28          a state fee, a political contribution, and the service charge under  
 29          IC 9-29.

30          (d) The payment of regular registration fees and excise tax, if  
 31          applicable, may be deferred until the time that the personalized license  
 32          plate is delivered to the person who applied for the plate.

33          (e) A license branch shall collect the service charge prescribed  
 34          under IC 9-29 for each initial or renewal application for a personalized  
 35          license plate as a reservation and special processing fee.

36          SECTION 4. IC 9-18-15-5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
 37          2005].

38          SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] (a) **As used in this**  
 39          **SECTION, "bureau" refers to the bureau of motor vehicles**  
 40          **established by IC 9-14-1-1.**

41          (b) **As used in this SECTION, "personalized license plate" has**  
 42          **the meaning set forth in IC 9-13-2-125.**

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1 (c) The bureau shall determine the persons who were:

2 (1) issued a personalized license plate for 2003; and

3 (2) not issued the same personalized license plate for the same  
4 vehicle for 2004 or 2005.

5 (d) Before September 1, 2005, the bureau shall:

6 (1) contact the persons identified in subsection (c); and

7 (2) inquire if those persons desire the same personalized  
8 license plate for the same vehicle for 2006 as was issued for  
9 2003.

10 (e) Notwithstanding IC 9-18-15-6(c), as added by this act, a  
11 person in the category determined under subsection (c) is entitled  
12 to:

13 (1) renew the registration of the vehicle; and

14 (2) be issued the same personalized license plate for the  
15 vehicle for 2006 as was issued for 2003;

16 if the person completes the renewal of the registration by October  
17 31, 2005.

18 (f) A vehicle registered as authorized by this SECTION is  
19 subject to the annual registration fee and to any other:

20 (1) fee;

21 (2) contribution;

22 (3) service charge; or

23 (4) excise tax;

24 required of a person registering a vehicle in accordance with  
25 IC 9-18-15-10, as amended by this act.

26 (g) A person who has been issued a personalized license plate  
27 under subsection (e) must comply with IC 9-18-15-6(b), as added  
28 by this act, to be issued the same personalized license plate for  
29 2007.

30 (h) This SECTION expires January 1, 2008.

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